### Municipal Stormwater Program Overview City of South Burlington, Vermont



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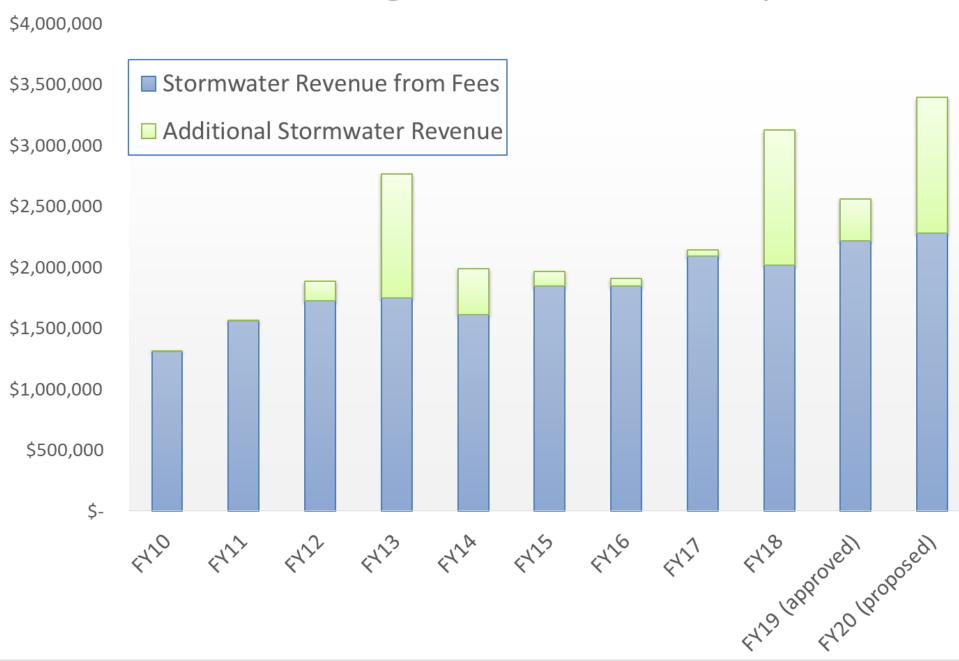


### South Burlington & Stormwater

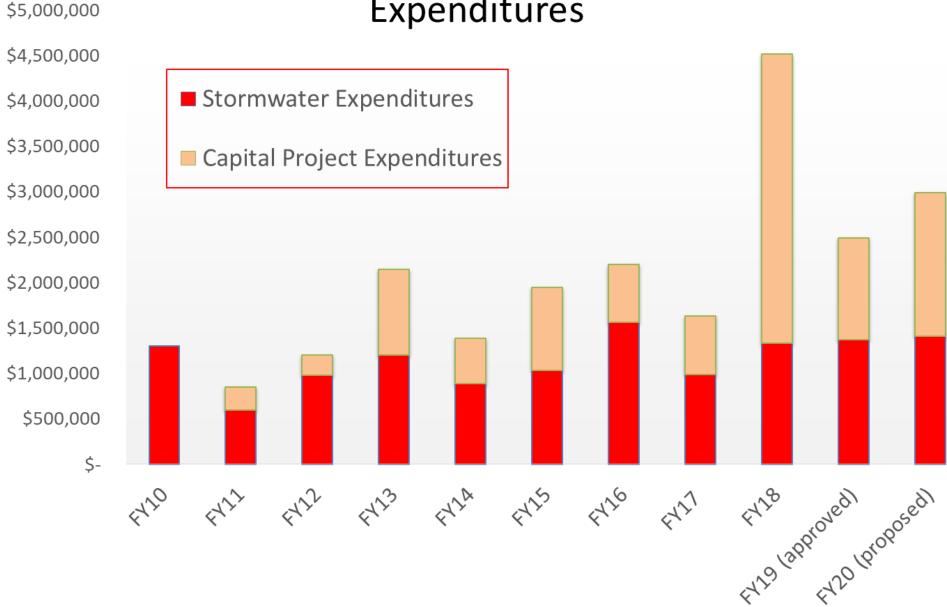
- Created Vermont's First Stormwater Utility in 2005.
- Drains to Lake Champlain (Phosphorous TMDL) and five stormwater impaired streams (Stormwater TMDLs).
- Subject to the Vermont's MS4 permit.
  - MS4 Permit includes <u>many</u> requirements: Implement the "six minimum measures", stormwater maintenance, tracking and reporting, Municipal Roads General Permit (MRGP), development of Flow Restoration Plans (FRPs) & Phosphorous Control Plan (PCP), etc.



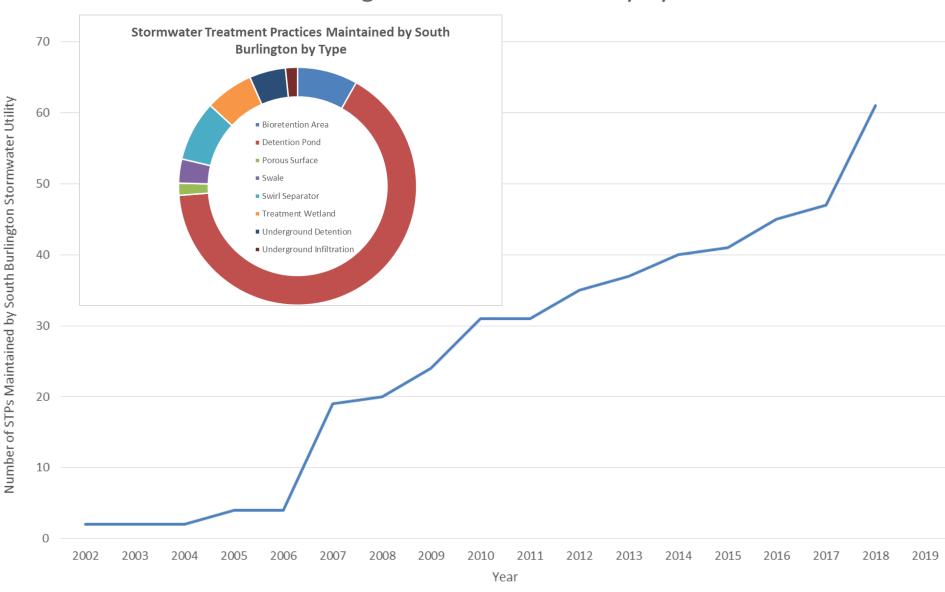
#### South Burlington Stormwater Utility Revenue



### South Burlington Stormwater Utility Expenditures



### Number of Stormwater Treatment Practices (STPs) Maintained by South Burlington Stormwater Utility by Year



### Village at Dorset Park - 2017



View of Village at Dorset Park Pond 3 – Project included the upgrade of 3 stormwater treatment ponds to current standards.

- State Stormwater
   Permit Issue Resolved
- Stormwater Flow To Potash Brook Reduced
- Reduced TSS and TP Reaching Potash Brook and Lake Champlain
- Project Cost: \$520,000
  - ERP Grant: \$250,000



#### Market Street Culvert Replacement – 2017



View of Replaced Culvert Facing Upstream

- Replaced Aging and Undersized Infrastructure
- Improved Aquatic Organism Passage (AOP)
- Increased Culvert Size to Address Climate Change
- Project Cost: \$634,000



# Replacement of Two Culverts in Oak Creek Village – 2017



Placing Precast Culvert Sections Under Moss Glen Lane – The project included replacement of two undersized culverts in Oak Creek Village

- Replaced Aging and Undersized Infrastructure
- Improved Aquatic Organism Passage
- Increased Culvert Size to Address Climate Change
- Reduced Risk of Flooding
- Project Cost: \$ 515,000
  - TAP Grant: \$ 300,000



### **Stonehedge Stormwater Project – 2017**







- Project Included: Construction of a Stormwater Pond, Installation of 3 Bio-Retention Areas, and Drainage Improvements
- Reduced TSS and TP to Potash Brook and Lake Champlain
- Reduced Risk of Flooding
- Project Cost: \$543,730
  - Project Partnership Agreement with U.S. Army
     Corp of Engineers



# Laurel Hill South Drainage Improvements - 2017



Dual Pipe Installation – The project replaced old and undersized drainage pipe to prevent flooding and slow the rate at which stormwater flows to Bartlett Brook

- Reduced risk of neighborhood flooding
  - Allowed some homes to obtain homeowners insurance again!
- Slightly reduced TSS and TP reaching Bartlett Brook
- Slight reduction in stormwater flow to Bartlett Brook
- Project Cost: \$745,429
  - Project Partnership Agreement
     with U.S. Army Corp of Engineers



## **Bartlett Brook Central Treatment**Wetland – 2017



The Bartlett Brook Central Stormwater Treatment Wetland Shortly After Construction – The project included construction of the treatment wetland and drainage improvements to direct additional water to treatment.

- Significant Reduction in Stormwater Flow To Bartlett Brook
- Significant Reduction in TSS and TP Reaching Bartlett Brook and Lake Champlain
- Project Cost: \$785,000
  - ERP Grant: \$ 400,000



### Commerce Square Detention Pond – 2017 to 2018



Commerce Square Detention Pond After
Construction – The project included
construction of the detention pond, installation
of a swirl separator, and reconfiguration of
drainage pipe to bring additional water to
treatment.

- Resolved State Stormwater
   Permit Issue
- Significant Reduction in Stormwater Flow to Potash Brook
- Reduction in TSS and TP Reaching Potash Brook and Lake Champlain
- Project Cost: \$475,000



### **Iby Street Gravel Wetland - 2018**



Iby Street Gravel Wetland During Construction –
Project included construction of a small gravel
wetland at the entrance to Dumont Park.
Stormwater from the street and neighborhood
previously discharged untreated to Potash Brook

- Reduced TSS and TP
   Reaching Potash Brook
   and Lake Champlain
- Flow reduction benefits to Potash Brook
- Provides Opportunity for Water Quality Education at Park Entrance
- Project Cost: \$91,326
  - ERP Grant: \$83,497



### Pinnacle at Spear – 2018 to 2019



Placing Stone As Part of Treatment Wetland
Construction – Project included retrofit of two
existing stormwater ponds to stormwater
treatment wetlands, and retrofit of two existing
stormwater detention ponds to meet current
standards

- Will Resolve A State Stormwater Permit Issue
- Will Reduce TSS and TP Reaching Lake Champlain
- Will Provide Flow
   Reduction Benefits To
   Munroe and Bartlett
   Brooks (SW Impaired)
- Project Cost: \$498,300
  - ERP Grant: \$109,612
  - LCBP Grant: \$125,000
  - CW Block Grant: \$85,100
  - Total Grants: ~\$319,712



#### Picard Circle - 2019



Picard Circle in Fall 2016 – Homes along the Picard Circle cul-de-sac were removed. The cul-de-sac will be removed and the space will be used to treat stormwater runoff from City owned streets.

- The Project Will Reduce
  The Amount of TSS and TP
  Reaching Centennial Brook
  and Lake Champlain.
- The Project Will Provide
   Flow Reduction Benefits To
   Centennial Brook (SW
   Impaired)
- Project Cost: \$500,000 (est.)
  - Vtrans Grant: \$229,600



### **Kennedy Drive Pond 3 - 2019**



Existing Kennedy Drive Pond 3 – Retrofit and expansion of the Kennedy Drive Pond to a treatment wetland will provide better treatment of stormwater to a larger drainage area

- The Project Will Reduce The Amount Of TSS and TP Reaching Potash Brook and Lake Champlain.
- The Project Will Provide
   Flow Reduction Benefits To
   Potash Brook (SW Impaired)
- Project Cost: \$300,000 (est.)
  - DEC Grant: \$ 298,000



### What's Next? FRP Projects & Cost

Watershed	Total Number of STPs in Flow Restoration Plan	Number of STPs Remaining w/City Responsibility	Number of STPs Installed by City (Feb 2019)	Original Cost Estimate of South Burlington's "Share"	Cost Incurred By South Burlington to Date
Bartlett Brook	18	3	4	\$3,450,000	\$1,161,141
Centennial Brook	27	14	0	\$6,694,000	\$0
Englesby Brook	5	1	0	\$128,700	\$0
Munroe Brook	3	0	2	\$48,000	\$270,924
Potash Brook	109	69	3	\$13,750,000	\$1,740,688
Total	162	87	9	\$24,070,700	\$3,172,753



# Comments on Current Legislative Topics

- Wetlands Statutes
  - Municipalities need to be able to repair and replace existing infrastructure (WW/SW/DW).
  - Statutes need to clearly define how stormwater improvement projects will be regulated. For example, installation of stormwater treatment practices should be allowed in managed wetland buffers.
- Water Quality Funding The State of Vermont needs to fund work required by regulation as well as the non-required work.
  - Implementation of water quality improvement projects is getting pushed to municipalities. Funding must come with requirements or we're setting ourselves up for failure.
- PFOAs Proposed requirements to treat landfill leachate to drinking water standards feels rushed. This would put a high burden on rate/tax payers.



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